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In re the Application of: Ross, et al.

Serial Number: 09/545,316

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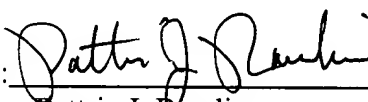
Transmitted herewith for filing is a Petition to Make Special Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) in connection with the above-referenced application. Also enclosed is the petition fee of \$130.00 as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Account No. 12-2475.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: March 7, 2001

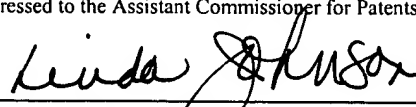
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PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d)

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Sir:

Applicants hereby petition to make the above identified application special due to *actual infringement* of one or more claims pursuant to M.P.E.P. § 7802.02.

Applicants' assignee has become aware that ScholarOne, Inc. is currently practicing the invention within the United States through their website at <http://www.scholarone.com>. Furthermore, PaperPath, Inc. is currently offering for sale and selling PaperPath 2000 Software within the United States. The PaperPath 2000 software is currently being offered for sale through the PaperPath website at <http://www.paperpath.com>. Finally, eJournalPress.com is currently practicing the invention with their EJPress IAS service through their website at <http://www.ejournalpress.com>. Additionally, eJournalPress.com is currently offering to license the invention with their EJPress Onsite software, which is also available through their website.

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I have made a rigid comparison of the above described products and services against the pending claims of the present application. In my opinion, some of the claims are unquestionably infringed. Furthermore, I have good knowledge of the pertinent prior art with respect to the above identified application.

The petition fee of \$130.00 as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is included herewith. No additional fees are believed due at this time. The Examiner is authorized to charge any additional fee or refund any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 12-2475.

Applicants earnestly request the granting of this petition to make special in order to expedite the prosecution of this application.

Respectfully submitted,
Neoplasia Press, Inc.

Dated: February 22, 2001

By: Brian D. Ross
Brian D. Ross, Ph.D
Assignee